To the Boundary Commission 550 West 7th Ave, Suite 1770 Anchorage, AK. 99501

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To Those of The Boundary Commission.

I am a citizen of the Prince of Wales Island and am concerned about the possibility of being forced into Boroughization. I am not in favor of such an action. There are several reasons why we are not capable of such an act without undue burden on an already stressed economy. Your facts about an average income must be based on an economy of our past. We are headed down hill and having to make many adjustments just to survive. Timber, fishing and even tourism are on a down turn. Some road projects are providing a temporary boost, but it is temporary.

We have too few stable and long term incomes to consider supporting such a Bureaucracy. I am not against the eventuality of this as the numbers of citizens and their incomes increase. As of right now it would cost approximately \$150.00 for every man woman and child on our Island just to open and keep open for each year, the doors of a Borough. This would be without doing any collection or taxation to advance the good of our children in schools.

Sincerely, Earl M. Nash

A citizen of our Island for 19 years